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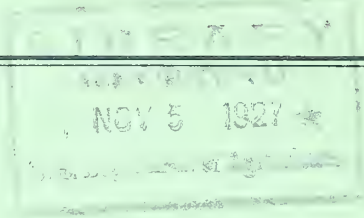


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## Tulips For Fall Planting



**Darwin  
Tulips**

There is no group of decorative plants that can be brought to flowering perfection with so little effort and with such certainty of success as those listed here. Planted outside during October or November, or in fact, any time before the ground freezes hard, these establish themselves during the winter months and some are ready to burst into bloom with the arrival of the first sunny days of spring, even before the last snows have disappeared. The bulbs may be left in the ground after the passing of the blooming period and other plants may be set in the same beds for later blooming.

The bulbs that we offer are all "TOP GRADE". We do not stock culls, short sizes or inferior grades; so if our bulbs are planted according to the directions given an abundance of gorgeous blooms will reward the planter.

Bulbs of most varieties of tulips should be planted so the tops are about five inches below the surface of the ground, and four or five inches apart. The long stemmed varieties may be planted an inch or two deeper; but the Parrots require shallower planting and do best in light sandy soil.

### Darwin Tulips

	Each	Doz.	100		Each	Doz.	100
<b>Franz Hals</b> —Violet blue. Very large flower. ....	.12	1.20	9.00	<b>Pride of Haarlem</b> —A very large flower of superb form on tall strong stem. Color a brilliant rosy carmine with blue base. A wonderful flower for borders or early forcing. Height 25 inches. ....	.06	.60	3.25
<b>Gretchen</b> —Large globular flower on stiff stem. Color a silvery pale rose, flushed white. Inside soft pink with white center marked blue. Height 22 inches. ....	.06	.60	3.50	<b>Princess Elizabeth</b> —One of the very best pink Darwins, being a beautiful pink with rose border. Stout stem 23 inches high. Good bedder and especially good for forcing in pots. ....	.07	.65	4.25
<b>Greuze</b> —Brilliant black blue. Forces well. ....	.06	.60	4.00	<b>Prof. Rauwenhoff</b> —Deep cherry rose with salmon inside. Enormous flower. Extra good forcer. 24 inches. ....	.07	.65	4.25
<b>King Harold</b> —Deep oxblood red with blue base. Very large flower. Fine forcer. Height 24 inches. ....	.07	.70	4.50	<b>Psyche</b> —Rich rose color with inside shaded silvery rose. Large, handsome flower on stiff stem. Splendid for border or pot culture. ....	.07	.65	4.25
<b>Lafayette</b> —Bright rosy red, white center. Late forcer. Height 25 inches. ....	.12	1.20	9.00	<b>Queen Marie</b> —Large rose colored bloom. White and blue center. 28 inches. ....	.08	.85	6.00
<b>La Tulip Noire</b> —The blackest of all tulips, being a dark maroon with a velvety sheen. A finely shaped, very large flower. Height 25 inches. ....	.08	.85	6.00	<b>Rev. Ewbank</b> —Good sized flower of beautiful lavender violet with deeper shade toward base. Height 20 inches. Fine for either borders or forcing. ....	.06	.60	3.25
<b>Louise de la Vallere</b> —Soft pink with white base. Good forcer. ....	.35	3.60	24.00	<b>Rev. Harper Crewe</b> —Dull amaranth-red edged with mauve-rose; the inside is a brilliant crimson with blue base. A good forcing variety. ....	.11	1.10	8.00
<b>Madame Krelage</b> —Bright lilac rose, margin of pale rose. Pale pink inside. Fine forcer. ....	.06	.60	3.25	<b>Salmonea</b> —Clear salmon pink, edged with yellow. ....	.20	2.00	15.00
<b>Marconi</b> —A large flower of great beauty; the color being a bright violet with a yellowish white center on a 27-inch stem. ....	.06	.60	4.00	<b>Scarlet Beauty</b> —A pure glowing scarlet without markings or shading; has fine lasting qualities and is the most perfect scarlet Darwin we know of. ....	.11	1.10	8.00
<b>Marnix von St. Aldegonde</b> —Carmine rose with margin of orange. Fine forcer. 25 inches. ....	.12	1.20	9.00	<b>Sophrosine</b> —Large flower of very delicate beauty. Color a soft rosy lilac flushed silvery white with blue base. This variety has unusual merit as a border plant. Height 25 inches. ....	.07	.65	4.25
<b>Massachusetts</b> —Vivid pink, with white center. A beautifully colored, large blossom on 26-inch stem. Good bedder and forcer. ....	.07	.65	4.25	<b>Thorbecke</b> —A rare shade of deep wine red tinted slightly brown with dark center. Oval shaped flower on strong stem. Height 23 inches. ....	.08	.85	6.00
<b>Melicette</b> —A very attractive bedding variety; the color is a lavender-violet edged with mauve. The inside of the large flower is a dark heliotrope. The center is a rich blue. ....	.08	.75	5.00	<b>William Copeland</b> —Clear lilac, very early and an extra good forcer. 24 inches. ....	.07	.65	4.25
<b>Painted Lady</b> —Large creamy white faintly tinted with soft heliotrope. The open flower resembles a water lily on dark stem 25 inches high. An extra fine variety. ....	.06	.60	4.00	<b>White Queen</b> —Almost pure white when matured. Bud is at first rose tinted with black anthers. Height 24 inches. ....	.07	.65	4.25
<b>Paul Baudry</b> —A strong, finely formed flower of dark violet-purple shaded with bronze. An excellent forcer. ....	.12	1.20	9.00	<b>William Pitt</b> —Large flower of a distinct dark crimson shading to purple on outer petals. Highly recommended for early forcing. Height 22 inches. ....	.08	.85	6.00
<b>President Taft</b> —A superb dark crimson flower on a strong stem. 22 inches. ....	.11	1.10	8.00	<b>Zulu</b> —Rich purple black. Large egg-shaped flower. Good forcer. ....	.08	.85	.00
<b>Prince of Netherlands</b> —An extra large flower of vigorous habit; the color is a glowing cerise-scarlet flushed with salmon rose; the base is blue. The striking color and great size make this a most desirable variety. ....	.10	1.00	7.00				

### Breeder Tulips

The finely formed, very large flowers, their delicate fragrance; and range of colors that runs from delicate pastel shades to dull browns and bronzes, entitle these flowers to a prominent place in every garden. Breeders bloom at about the same time as Darwins, which they somewhat resemble, but they are larger and the range of colors is entirely different.

	Each	Doz.	100		Each	Doz.	100
<b>Apricot</b> —A splendid large flower of dull bronzy buff shading to ruddy apricot. Height 25 inches. ....	.15	1.50	11.00	<b>Lord Curzon</b> —Very large flower. Silvery white, flushed at margin with maroon-crimson. ....	.20	2.00	15.00
<b>Bachus</b> —Large egg shaped flower on graceful stem. Color dark violet blue. Undoubtedly one of the finest breeders of this shade. Height 30 inches. ....	.20	2.00	14.00	<b>Louis XIV</b> —One of the most beautiful of all Breeders. A very large globular flower of dark purple flushed with bronze. A superb sort for out-of-doors or forcing. Height 28 inches. ....	.20	2.00	14.00
<b>Cardinal Manning</b> —Very large flower of dull wine red flushed with rosy bronze. Height 28 inches. ....	.08	.80	5.50	<b>Lucifer</b> —Bright terra-cotta orange. Enormous flower. 26 inches. ....	.25	2.50	18.00
<b>Don Pedro</b> —A unique shade of coffee brown blending into maroon. Inside is a rich mahogany. Very large flower. ....	.15	1.50	10.00	<b>La Nuit</b> —A handsome flower of very dark brown, almost black. Height 24 inches. ....	.08	.85	6.00
<b>Godet Parfait</b> —An extremely large flower of striking color, being a bright violet with a white base. Height 30 inches. ....	.15	1.50	10.00	<b>Medea</b> —Salmon Carmine. Very large. Medium height. ....	.08	.85	6.00
<b>Golden Bronze</b> —Old Gold shaded bronze. Good forcer. ....	.08	.80	5.50	<b>Marginata</b> —Apricot-orange. Shaded light bronze, edged yellow. ....	.20	2.00	15.00
				<b>Panorama</b> —A beautifully shaped reddish-brown flower and one of the best for early forcing. ....	.12	1.20	9.00
				<b>Pink Pearl</b> —The outside is a lovely violet-rose; the center and base are a beautiful white. The egg-shaped flowers of immense size are carried on strong stems about 25 inches high. ....	.40	4.00	30.00
				<b>Prince of Orange</b> —A flower of great substance. Color, orange-scarlet, edged with light yellow. Height 23 inches. ....	.15	1.50	10.00
				<b>St. James</b> —A most attractive variety of chestnut brown flushed with bronze shading into gold. Large globular flower on tall stem. Height 26 inches. Beautiful for any outdoor situation. ....	.20	2.00	15.00
				<b>Vulcan</b> —Handsome flowers of salmon red edged with orange. Suitable for bedding or forcing. Height 26 inches. ....	.15	1.50	11.00
				<b>Yellow Perfection</b> —Light bronze-yellow edged with golden yellow. A large tulip of unusual beauty on stem about 24 inches tall. ....	.09	.90	6.50



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## Single Early Tulips

## Double Early Tulips

The double tulips while not as brilliantly colored, come into bloom later and last longer than the single varieties. Most of the sorts that we list here may be forced in pots.

## Single Late or Cottage Tulips

This extremely hardy variety is increasing in popularity as it is materially different from the other varieties and the blooms are unusually long-lasting. These may be planted and left in the permanent hardy flower border where they should be set in masses. They may also be naturalized in lawns, wild gardens, etc.

## Parrot Tulips

Parrot tulips have very large, fringed petal flowers that are unique in form and very brilliant in coloring. The variety is very useful for borders where bright colors are wanted. Parrots are late bloomers and should be set in the sunniest locations.

## Bunch Flowered Tulips

A new type producing clusters of many flowers on a single stem.

## Narcissus

These domestic bulbs have been tested for out-door planting and for forcing under glass and in homes—the tests have shown that although the bulbs are a little late in flowering the results are fully equal to those formerly obtained from foreign grown bulbs.

All Narcissi should be planted so the top of the bulb is about six inches below the soil surface and about five inches apart. Fresh manure should not be used in preparing the beds, but a top-dressing of bone meal at the rate of one pound to forty square feet will be found beneficial and this should be repeated very early in the spring. The planting should be done in October or November but may be done any time before the ground freezes hard. In growing Narcissi indoors either in soil or fibre be sure to keep in a cool, dark place until an ample root growth has formed. Water occasionally so ground or fibre will not dry out.

## Single Trumpet Narcissus

### Miscellaneous Narcissus







Paper Whites

**Paper-whites**—The variety that is so extensively used for indoor forcing may be started in earth, fibre or pebbles and set away in a cool dark place for about four weeks or until the bowls are full of roots. Those wanted for blooming should then be placed in a

semi-lighted room for a few days, after which they may be placed in a sunny window where they will quickly flower. Care must be taken that the bulbs are not allowed to dry out after having been started.....

Each	Doz.	100
.10	1.00	7.50

**Bulb Fibre**—Prepared expressly for home use in forcing Tulips, Hyacinths, Crocus, Lilies, etc. This contains the necessary food for practically all kinds of bulbs and house-plants. 1 lb., 10c; 3 lbs. 25c; 5 lbs. 40c; 10 lbs. 75c.

**Large Sized, Washed White Silica Pebbles** for filling Bulb Bowls. Per Quart.....\$0.15

## Lilies for Fall Planting

Lilies thrive best in a rich, moist soil. Most varieties should be planted at least six inches deep and an inch or two deeper if of the Speciosum variety. The best effect is obtained if planted in groups of six or more. When planted the bulbs should rest upon an inch of sand and about the same quantity should surround the bulbs on all sides. A light covering of leaves or litter should be spread when the ground freezes.

**Lilium Candidum** (Madonna Lily)—This is the Easter or Annunciation Lily of the old-fashioned garden. It produces pure white blooms of large size that are very fragrant. Bulbs may be planted from September to November, blooms appearing in June. Fine extra large bulbs. Each, 35c; Doz., \$3.50; Mammoth, each, 45c; Doz., \$4.50.

**Speciosum Rubrum**—White blooms heavily spotted with crimson. Each, 30c; Doz., \$3.00.

**Henryi** (Yellow Speciosum)—One of the finest hardy lilies, of strong, vigorous growth, with flower stalks 3 to 5 feet long; deep apricot-yellow, lightly spotted brown. Each, 50c; Doz., \$5.00.

**Lilium Auratum**—A beautiful variety that should be in every garden. Enormous white flowers thickly spotted with yellow. Each, 35c; Doz., \$3.50.

**Speciosum Magnificum**—Similar to Rubrum; but the crimson extends to the edges of the petals. Each, 30c; Doz., \$3.00.

**Speciosum Album**—Large pure white blooms; extremely attractive. Each, 30c; Doz., \$3.00.

**Lilium Harrisii** (Bermuda Easter Lily)—Best for winter forcing. Magnificent trumpet shaped flowers of pure white; and delightfully fragrant. Comes quickly into bloom and even the smallest bulbs produce blossoms freely. These are not hardy enough for outside planting but force readily under glass or in the home. Fine large bulbs. Each, 35c; Doz., \$3.50.

**Regale** (Myriophyllum)—One of the most beautiful garden lilies yet introduced. It grows 3 to 5 feet high and blooms out of doors in July. It is perfectly hardy, and flourishes under varied conditions, the large trumpet-shaped, delicately scented flowers, which are produced freely, are ivory-white, shaded pink tinged with canary-yellow at the base of the petals. Each, 75c; Doz., \$7.50.



## Hyacinths

These should not be confused with bulbs of lesser size and grade. There is often a considerable difference between the "first" size of an importer or dealer and the "first" size of the grower. Our bulbs are the grower's "firsts" which means that they are the largest sizes grown. Large bulbs mean large, well filled flower spikes.

These bulbs are uniformly priced at 35c each, \$3.50 per dozen, \$29.00 per hundred.

**L'Innocence**—The best white hyacinth for outside planting or early forcing. Yields a fine truss of heavy pure white bells.

**General Verter**—Bears large truss of bluish white flowers. Very fine for bedding or late forcing.

**La Victoire**—This is a splendid variety for bedding; and when grown outdoors is a bright glittering red with strong stem and lasting color. Under glass a fine dark flower.

**Yellow Hammer**—Bright yellow blooms; unusually good for bedding or early forcing.

**Lord Balfour**—A good violet color, of exceptional value as a bedder but not suitable for forcing.

**King of the Blues.**

**Queen of the Blues.**

Two very desirable specimens of the blue Hyacinth, blooming at different times.

**Queen of the Pinks**—Large broad truss of lovely rose-pink bells of good size on a strong stem. Fine for bedding or late forcing or indoor growing in the home.

**Gertrude**—Dark pink.

## Cultural Directions For Hyacinths

Hyacinths planted outside should be set so the tops of the bulbs are five inches below the surface of the ground. In heavy soils a handful of sand under each bulb will insure drainage of excess moisture. Planting may be done any time from early October until the ground freezes hard.

Bulbs for forcing in the home should be planted in rich, light soil in shallow pots, well watered and at once put in a cool, dark place such as a fruit cellar. Watering about once in two weeks will keep the ground moist. When the flower spikes have risen clear of the bulbs, pot should be placed in a cool, light room for a few days and after that placed in a sunny window to come into bloom.

## Freesias

This is a very distinct type of flower for winter forcing in greenhouse or home. By planting at intervals of ten days or two weeks a long succession of bloom may be arranged. Plant in five-inch pots (six bulbs to each) and set in the light at once. The blooms come on long racemes having five to eight large tubular flowers of exquisite fragrance.

<b>Purity</b> —Pure white, fine large bulbs.....	Doz.	100
	.75	5.50

<b>Rainbow Mixture</b> —Yellow, salmon and carmine.....	Doz.	100
	.75	5.50



## Paeonies

Paeonies are among the showiest and most useful of hardy plants, growing well in almost any location or soil; the flowers will be larger and brighter, and more numerous if the roots are planted in deep rich soil, well enriched with rotted manure; extreme care should be used in planting so that they are placed at the same depth they were before they were lifted.

The best time to plant Paeonies is in September and October. Roots planted at this time will produce some bloom the following spring and will be fully a year ahead of those left to be planted in the spring.

These are not root divisions, but are clumps with full root systems that have been field grown for a year.

**Karl Rosefeld**—Large, double blooms of splendid rich red. Each, \$1.50.

**Rachel (Terry)**—Very prolific—bears an abundance of ruby-red blooms; \$1.00.

**Sarah Bernhardt**—One of the largest and best pink Paeonies; \$2.25.

**President Taft**—Soft, flesh pink, deepening to shell pink; \$1.50.

**Madame de Verneville**—An early white variety that gives excellent satisfaction; 75c.

**Monsieur Jules Elie**—A splendid pink with incurving petals; \$1.50.

**Felix Crouse**—Large round, perfectly double heads, deep crimson, marked with cardinal at base of petals. Late; \$1.50.

**Madame Calot**—Pale pink, shaded darker in the center; \$1.00.

## Crocus

The Crocus is one of the very earliest flowers to bloom in the spring and it is not unusual to see them blooming before the last snows have disappeared. They will thrive in any soil, are entirely hardy and may be left undisturbed for years; and as the bulbs multiply the quantity of the bloom increases yearly.

They can be planted between Hyacinths and Tulips, blooming before either of these, or in solid beds and borders; but are most effective when naturalized in irregular groups in lawns. When planted in grass they will have bloomed and be out of the way before it is necessary to use the lawn mower. These can also be forced in pots in the home, following the same directions as given for forcing Hyacinths.

We have in stock choice bulbs of the following colors:

	Doz.	100
<b>King of the Whites</b> .....	.35	2.75
<b>King of the Blues</b> .....	.35	2.75

	Doz.	100
<b>Large Yellow</b> .....	.45	3.50
<b>Sir Walter Scott</b> —Striped.....	.35	2.75

Plant a hundred of these in your lawn any time before the ground freezes and you will have a handsome showing of blooms when flowers are mighty scarce.

## For Indoor Growing In The Home

### Hybrid Amaryllis

We believe these to be the most gorgeous flowers that can be forced in the home. Flowers of flaming red, orange, pink and striped, seven to nine inches across are borne on stalks fifteen to twenty-four inches tall. These flower stalks spring from the bulbs before a leaf appears; when growth starts it is very rapid, being from one to two inches a day. Two, three or four flowers are borne on each stalk and these are truly beautiful.

Plant the bulb in good soil in six or seven-inch pot, leaving the wedge shape tip and about one-half of the globular part of the bulb above ground, water and set in a cool, dark place for about four weeks, then bring up to a sunny window. In July or August the plant should be allowed to dry off and rest until November, when it can again be brought up to the sun.

As these are hybrids we are unable to tell what color flower any individual bulb will yield.

Large bulbs, 75c; extra large, \$1.00; mammoth, \$1.25 each. Exhibition size, \$1.50.

**White Calla**—Pot in rich soil, having the entire bulb below the surface of the soil in the pot. Set in dark cool place for two or three weeks and then bring up to light sunny window. Bulbs planted in September and October will blossom about February, the large flowers being a pure waxy white.

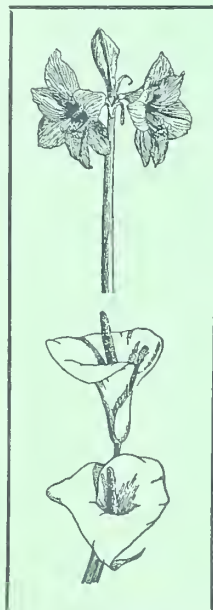
Large size bulbs, 30c each.  
Mammoth bulbs, 40c each.

**Lily of the Valley**—Pips of these charming flowers especially prepared for forcing in the home. Ready in November. We shall carry only the foreign grown pips which yield both flowers and foliage when forced. Per Doz., \$1.00; per 100, \$7.00.

### Miscellaneous Bulbs

	Doz.	100
<b>Scilla Siberica</b> —Blue, very hardy and well adapted to naturalizing in shady places.....	.75	5.75
<b>Galanthus (Snowdrops)</b> —First of all flowers to acclaim the coming spring ..	.75	5.00

	Doz.	100
<b>Chinodoxa (Glory of the Snow)</b> —Hardy plants resembling Scilla but with spikes of somewhat larger flowers. ....	.60	3.75
<b>Muscari (Grape Hyacinths)</b> —Heavenly blue. A very showy variety. The spikes of bloom resemble bunches of grapes.....	.60	3.25



*Lily of the Valley*

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